

AMENDMENT TO DIVISION H OF THE RULES
COMMITTEE PRINT 115-31
OFFERED BY MR. BLUM OF IOWA

Page 1143, after line 16, insert the following:

1 NATIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENTS

2 For capital investments in surface transportation in-
3 frastructure, \$200,000,000, to remain available through
4 September 30, 2021: *Provided*, That the Secretary of
5 Transportation shall distribute funds provided under this
6 heading as discretionary grants to be awarded to a State,
7 local government, transit agency, or a collaboration among
8 such entities on a competitive basis for projects that will
9 have a significant impact on the Nation, a metropolitan
10 area, or a region: *Provided further*, That projects eligible
11 for funding provided under this heading shall include, but
12 not be limited to, highway or bridge projects eligible under
13 title 23, United States Code; public transportation
14 projects eligible under chapter 53 of title 49, United
15 States Code; passenger and freight rail transportation
16 projects; and port infrastructure investments (including
17 inland port infrastructure and land ports of entry): *Pro-*
18 *vided further*, That the Secretary may use up to 20 per-
19 cent of the funds made available under this heading for

1 the purpose of paying the subsidy and administrative costs
2 of projects eligible for Federal credit assistance under
3 chapter 6 of title 23, United States Code, if the Secretary
4 finds that such use of the funds would advance the pur-
5 poses of this paragraph: *Provided further*, That in distrib-
6 uting funds provided under this heading, the Secretary
7 shall take such measures so as to ensure an equitable geo-
8 graphic distribution of funds, an appropriate balance in
9 addressing the needs of urban and rural areas, and the
10 investment in a variety of transportation modes: *Provided*
11 *further*, That a grant funded under this heading shall be
12 not less than \$5,000,000 and not greater than
13 \$100,000,000: *Provided further*, That not more than 20
14 percent of the funds made available under this heading
15 may be awarded to projects in a single State: *Provided*
16 *further*, That the Federal share of the costs for which an
17 expenditure is made under this heading shall be, at the
18 option of the recipient, up to 80 percent: *Provided further*,
19 That the Secretary shall give priority to projects that re-
20 quire a contribution of Federal funds in order to complete
21 an overall financing package: *Provided further*, That not
22 less than 20 percent of the funds provided under this
23 heading shall be for projects located in rural areas: *Pro-*
24 *vided further*, That for projects located in rural areas, the
25 minimum grant size shall be \$1,000,000 and the Secretary

1 may increase the Federal share of costs above 80 percent:
2 *Provided further*, That projects conducted using funds pro-
3 vided under this heading must comply with the require-
4 ments of subchapter IV of chapter 31 of title 40, United
5 States Code: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall
6 conduct a new competition to select the grants and credit
7 assistance awarded under this heading: *Provided further*,
8 That the Secretary may retain up to \$20,000,000 of the
9 funds provided under this heading, and may transfer por-
10 tions of those funds to the Administrators of the Federal
11 Highway Administration, the Federal Transit Administra-
12 tion, the Federal Railroad Administration and the Mari-
13 time Administration, to fund the award and oversight of
14 grants and credit assistance made under the National In-
15 frastructure Investments program.

Page 1215, line 25, after the dollar amount, insert
“(reduced by \$200,000,000)”.

Page 1216, line 8, after the dollar amount, insert
“(reduced by \$200,000,000)”.

